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## ORDINANCE NO. 1442 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ZONING REGULATION REGARDING VEGETATION FOR ONE- AND TWO-FAMILY DWELLINGS SUCH THAT SEEDING AND SODDING ARE BOTH PERMITTED

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF INDIANOLA, IOWA:

1. Amendment. Subsection 165. 11(9) shall be amended to read as follows:

Vegetation. All new one and two family dwellings are required to plant and maintain four (4) shrubs and two (2) trees. Also, all disturbed areas of the lot must either be sodded or seeded prior to occupancy of the residence. If seeding is chosen, a seedbed with a minimum of 80% perennial grass is required. The entire lot must have an established lawn and be 95% weed free within 90 days of occupancy of the dwelling. When seeding adjacent to any previously established lawn, soil erosion controls identified in the Statewide Urban Design and Specification (SUDAS) shall be required. The seeding requirement does not replace any recorded covenant mandating sod. The Director of Community Development may temporarily waive the sod or seed requirements if improper weather conditions exist at the time of occupancy.

- 2. Repeal. Any ordinance or parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are repealed.
- 3. Severability. If any section, provision or part of the Ordinance shall be adjudged to be invalid or unconstitutional, such adjudication shall not affect the validity of the Ordinance as a whole or any section, provision or part of it not adjudged invalid or unconstitutional.

4. Effective Date. This ordinance shall take effect from and after its passage and publication as provided by law.

JERŔY KELLĖY, Mayor

ATTEST: ;

DIANA BOWLIN, City Clerk

The foregoing Ordinance No. 1442 was adopted by the Council of the City of Indianola, lowa, on December 7, 2009, was signed by the Mayor on December 8, 2009, and was published in the Record Herald and Indianola Tribune, a newspaper of general circulation and published in the City of Indianola, lowa, on December 3, 2009.

DIANA BOWLIN, City Clerk